

Communications Specialist, Center for Ocean Solutions Monterey, CA

About the Center for Ocean Solutions

The Center for Ocean Solutions (the Center) is a collaboration between Stanford University – including researchers at Hopkins Marine Station and the main campus – the Monterey Bay Aquarium, and the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute. Its mission is to develop practical and sustainable strategies that address the major environmental and economic challenges facing the ocean by bringing leading experts in marine science and policy together with decision makers.

Responsibilities

The Communications Specialist will assist the Center in improving public understanding of the challenges facing the ocean and their solutions. Specific responsibilities include: improve internal and external communications of the Center; assist in the development of comprehensive outreach plans for the Center's ongoing and future projects; outreach to the media and web content development; assist in grant writing; review, edit and/or write communication materials for the Center. The Communication Specialist reports directly to the Center's Planning Director and assists all other staff as required. The incumbent works to promote a results-oriented center.

Requirements

- Bachelor's degree in communications, journalism, marine science, marine policy, biology or a related field.
- Outstanding written and verbal communications skills;
- Ability to articulate and communicate complex issues to a variety of audiences, across scientific disciplines and to non-scientific audiences;
- Minimum 2 years work experience in media, journalism, communications, public relations or other related field.
- Understanding of current and emerging issues in ocean science and policy;
- Strong networking and relationship-building skills;
- Ability to work well in partnerships involving a wide variety of organizations and businesses;
- Strong personal initiative, problem solving skills, creativity, and ability to work independently and as a member of a team;
- Experience in grant-writing;
- Ability to manage several projects/tasks at the same time;
- Collaborative, and flexible work style
- Experience developing web content and use of other new media, such as blogs and podcasts.

Application

If you are interested in applying, please send your resume, references and two writing samples to Adina Abeles, abeles@stanford.edu.